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October 18, 2006

Mr. Vernon Williams Surface Transportation Board 1925 "K" St. NW Washington, D. C., 20423-0001

Dear Mr. Williams:

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With reference to AB-33 (Sub No. 175X) we wish to request a second 180 days in which to continue negotiations to acquire the Union Pacific Railroad's rightof-way in Hamilton County, Iowa, in an area between Jewell and Ellsworth.

This time is required as we have not had an opportunity to thoroughly examine the maps just recently furnished by the railroad. We trust the additional time granted by the STB will allow for serious negotiations in this matter.

In addition to the faxed copy of this letter we are providing by regular mail ten copies for distribution to board members. We are also faxing copies of this letter to the Omaha and Chicago offices of the Union Pacific Railroad. It is our belief that the railroad will cooperate in agreeing to the extension of time we are requesting.

Sincerety.

Tom F. Neenan

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